

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1-8. Cancelled (without disclaimer or prejudice).

9. (Cancelled)

10. (Currently Amended) A method in accordance with claim 927 wherein the winding material is a band supplied to the winding unit is wrapped on a supply reel which is braked by a brake to create the tension.

11. (Cancelled)

12. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim 1128, wherein the band-winding unit includes a supply reel arranged on a guide ring of the band winding unit.

13. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim 12, wherein the supply reel comprises a brake which creates the tension during wrapping of the material around the fur.

14. (Currently Amended) ~~An apparatus~~ A method according to claim 1427,
~~wherein comprising displacing the band winding unit is displaceable longitudinally in~~
~~relation to the pelting board holder and in a longitudinal direction of the pelting board~~
during wrapping of the fur.

15. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim 1428, wherein the
~~winding unit fur holder is longitudinally displaceably displaceable in relation to the~~
~~pelting board holder and in the longitudinal direction of the pelting board during~~
wrapping of the fur.

16. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim 15 28, wherein
the fur holder includes grippers for retaining the fur.

17. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 9 27 comprising an
~~elastic band shaped winding material which locks winding the material to cause~~
locking of an outer layer of the material to an inner layer of the material while the
material is under tension and is in a stretched condition.

18. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 10 comprising an
~~elastic elastic band shaped winding material which locks winding the material to~~
cause locking of an outer layer of the material to an inner layer of the material while
the material is under tension and is in a stretched condition.

19. (Currently Amended) An apparatus in accordance with claim ~~11~~28
wherein the winding unit wraps
~~_____ comprising an elastic elastic band shaped winding material which locks an~~
outer layer of the material ~~to over~~ an inner layer of the material while the material is
under tension and is in a stretched condition.

~~20.~~ 20. (Currently Amended) An apparatus in accordance with claim 12 ~~comprising~~
an elastic wherein the winding unit wraps
~~elastic band shaped winding material which locks an~~ outer layer of the
material ~~to over~~ an inner layer of the material while the material is under tension and
~~is in a stretched condition.~~

~~21.~~ 21. (Currently Amended) An apparatus in accordance with claim 13
~~comprising an elastic wherein the winding unit wraps~~
~~elastic band shaped winding material which locks an~~ outer layer of the
material ~~to over~~ an inner layer of the material while the material is under tension and
~~is in a stretched condition.~~

~~22.~~ 22. (Currently Amended) An apparatus in accordance with claim 14
~~comprising an elastic wherein the winding unit wraps~~
~~elastic band shaped winding material which locks an~~ outer layer of the
material ~~to over~~ an inner layer of the material while the material is under tension and
~~is in a stretched condition.~~

~~23-23.~~ (Currently Amended) An apparatus in accordance with claim 15 comprising an elastic wherein the winding unit wraps

~~24.~~ elastic band shaped winding material which locks an outer layer of the material to over an inner layer of the material while the material is under tension and is in a stretched condition.

24. (Currently Amended) An apparatus in accordance with claim 16 comprising an elastic wherein the winding unit wraps

elastic band shaped winding material which locks ~~an~~ outer layer of the material to over an inner layer of the material while the material is under tension and is in a stretched condition.

25-26. (Cancelled)

27. (New) A method of securing a fur to a pelting board using an apparatus including a winding unit for wrapping material around the fur, a pelting board holder and fur holder comprising:

retaining the pelting board in the pelting board holder;

placing the fur on the pelting board and securing an end of the fur with the fur holder to stretch the fur to conform the fur to an outer surface of the pelting board;
and

activating the winding unit to wrap the material under tension around the fur which conforms the fur to the pelting board to retain the fur on the pelting board in a stretched condition after release of the fur holder.

28. (New) An apparatus for securing a fur to a pelting board comprising:
a winding apparatus including a pelting board holder for holding the pelting board during placing of the fur on the pelting board to conform the fur with an outer surface of the pelting board, a fur holder for retaining an end of the fur while the fur is stretched in contact with the outer surface of the pelting board and a winding unit for wrapping material around the fur under tension to retain the stretched fur on the pelting board, and wherein the material which is wrapped around the fur fixes the fur on the pelting board in a stretched condition after the fur is no longer retained by the fur holder.

29. (New) An apparatus according to claim 12, wherein the fur holder includes grippers for retaining the fur.

30. (New) An apparatus according to claim 13, wherein the fur holder includes grippers for retaining the fur.

31. (New) An apparatus according to claim 14, wherein the fur holder includes grippers for retaining the fur.

32. (New) An apparatus according to claim 15, wherein the fur holder includes grippers for retaining the fur.

33. (New) An apparatus according to claim 19, wherein the fur holder includes grippers for retaining the fur.

34. (New) An apparatus according to claim 20, wherein the fur holder includes grippers for retaining the fur.

35. (New) An apparatus according to claim 21, wherein the fur holder includes grippers for retaining the fur.

36. (New) An apparatus according to claim 22, wherein the fur holder includes grippers for retaining the fur.

37. (New) An apparatus according to claim 23, wherein the fur holder includes grippers for retaining the fur.

38. (New) An apparatus according to claim 24, wherein the fur holder includes grippers for retaining the fur.